## SECOND REGULAR SESSION

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## **HOUSE BILL NO. 1517**

## 96TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVES NOLTE (Sponsor), SMITH (71), KOENIG AND McGEOGHEGAN (Co-sponsors).

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D. ADAM CRUMBLISS, Chief Clerk

## **AN ACT**

To repeal sections 42.170, 42.200, and 42.220, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof three new sections relating to military medallions, medals, and certificates.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Sections 42.170, 42.200, and 42.220, RSMo, are repealed and three new sections enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as sections 42.170, 42.200, and 42.220, to read as follows:

- 42.170. 1. Every veteran who honorably served on active duty in the United States military service at any time beginning December 7, 1941, and ending December 31, 1946, shall be entitled to receive a medallion, medal and a certificate of appreciation pursuant to sections 42.170 to 42.185, provided that:
  - (1) Such veteran is a legal resident of this state or was a legal resident of this state at the time he or she entered or was discharged from military service or at the time of his or her death or such veteran served in a unit of the Missouri national guard regardless of whether such veteran is or ever was a legal resident of Missouri; and
  - (2) Such veteran was honorably separated or discharged from military service or is still in active service in an honorable status, or was in active service in an honorable status at the time of his or her death.
- 2. The medallion, medal and the certificate shall be awarded regardless of whether or not such veteran served within the United States or in a foreign country. The medallion, medal and the certificate shall be awarded regardless of whether or not such veteran was under eighteen

EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.

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years of age at the time of enlistment. For purposes of sections 42.170 to 42.185, "veteran"

- means any person defined as a veteran by the United States Department of Veterans' Affairs or 16
- 17 its successor agency.

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- 42.200. 1. There is hereby created within the state adjutant general's office the "Korean
- Conflict Medallion Program". Every veteran who honorably served on active duty in the United
- States military service at any time beginning June 27, 1950, and ending January 31, 1955, shall
- be entitled to receive a Korean Conflict medallion, medal, and a certificate of appreciation
- 5 pursuant to sections 42.200 to 42.206, provided that:
  - (1) Such veteran is a legal resident of this state or was a legal resident of this state at the time he or she entered or was discharged from military service or at the time of his or her death
- or such veteran served in a unit of the Missouri national guard regardless of whether such
- veteran is or ever was a legal resident of Missouri; and 9
  - (2) Such veteran was honorably separated or discharged from military service or is still in active service in an honorable status, or was in active service in an honorable status at the time of his or her death.
  - 2. The Korean Conflict medallion, medal, and a certificate shall be awarded regardless of whether or not such veteran served within the United States or in a foreign country. The medallion, medal, and the certificate shall be awarded regardless of whether or not such veteran was under eighteen years of age at the time of enlistment. For purposes of sections 42.200 to
- 17 42.206, "veteran" means any person defined as a veteran by the United States Department of
- Veterans' Affairs or its successor agency.
  - 42.220. 1. There is hereby created within the state adjutant general's office the "Vietnam"
- War Medallion Program". Every veteran who honorably served on active duty in the United
- States military service at any time beginning February 28, 1961, and ending May 7, 1975, shall
- be entitled to receive a Vietnam War medallion, medal, and a certificate of appreciation under 4
- sections 42.220 to 42.226, provided that:
- 6 (1) Such veteran is a legal resident of this state or was a legal resident of this state at the time he or she entered or was discharged from military service or at the time of his or her death
- or such veteran served in a unit of the Missouri national guard regardless of whether such 8
- veteran is or ever was a legal resident of Missouri; and
- 10 (2) Such veteran was honorably separated or discharged from military service or is still in active service in an honorable status, or was in active service in an honorable status at the time 11 12 of his or her death.
- 2. The Vietnam War medallion, medal, and a certificate shall be awarded regardless of whether or not such veteran served within the United States or in a foreign country. The 14 medallion, medal, and the certificate shall be awarded regardless of whether or not such veteran

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16 was under eighteen years of age at the time of enlistment. For purposes of sections 42.220 to

- 17 42.226, "veteran" means any person defined as a veteran by the United States Department of
- 18 Veterans' Affairs or its successor agency.

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